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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: OGLE DEPORTATION - TOKYO AIRPORT INCIDENT

REF: TOKYO 2508

1. WE FIND IT DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND GOJ FEBRUARY 25 DIET STATEMENT REPORTED REFTTEL IMPLYING THAT OGLE VOLUNTARILY REMAINED ABOARD KAL AIRCRAFT WHILE TRANSITING TOKYO. WE ASSUME NATIONAL POLICE AND FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS WHO PREPARED ANSWER TO DIET CHARGES WERE AWARE OF FEBRUARY 12 SWORN AFFIDAVITS BY OGLE AND STENTZEL WHICH DESCRIBE MANNER IN WHICH OGLE STATES HE WAS FORCIBLY KEPT ON AIRCRAFT.

2. AS EMBASSY AWARE, USG HAS EXPRESSED CONCERN AND REGRET TO ROKG OVER OGLE DEPORTATION AND HAS SINGLED OUT FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PARTICULAR PROTEST DETENTION OF OGLE AGAINST HIS WILL ON

KAL AIRCRAFT IN TOKYO. THESE REPRESENTATIONS, WHICH WERE MADE AT SENIOR ROKG LEVELS IN BOTH WASHINGTON AND SEOUL IMMEDIATELY AFTER OGLE WAS DEPORTED, WERE REPORTED IN STATE 275482, 275483 AND 277436 AND SEOUL 8487.

3. IN LIGHT OF GOJ DIET STATEMENT, WE BELIEVE WE MUST MAKE OUR VIEWS ON OGLE CASE FORMALLY KNOWN TO GOJ. THEREFORE,

EMBASSY REQUESTED TO APPROACH FOREIGN MINISTRY AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL AND POINT OUT CONTRADICTIONS BETWEEN KAL PILOT'S DECEMBER 18 STATEMENT TO JAPANESE POLICE AND OGLE AND STENTZEL AFFIDAVITS AND STATE WE FIND IT DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND UNQUALIFIED GOJ ACCEPTANCE OF KAL PILOT'S VERSION OF INCIDENT. EMBASSY SHOULD NOTE THAT ON BASIS OF AVAILABLE INFORMATION, USG HAS NO REASON TO CHALLENGE ACCURACY OF OGLE'S STATEMENT THAT HE WAS FORCIBLY DETAINED. USG PROTESTED AIRPORT INCIDENT TO ROKG IN DECEMBER AND HAS YET TO RECEIVE AN ADEQUATE EXPLANATION FROM KOREANS OF MANNER IN WHICH OGLE WAS TREATED. EMBASSY SHOULD ASK WHETHER GOJ HAS ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DESCRIBING EVENTS THAT OCCURED AT AIRPORT.

4. EMBASSY SHOULD ADVISE GOJ THAT US CHURCH GROUP HAS ASKED DEPT TO SEEK GOJ EXPLANATION OF AIRPORT INCIDENT. EMBASSY MAY INFORM GOJ THAT WE INTEND TO MAKE FORTHCOMING REPLY BY LETTER, INCLUDING FACT THAT WE HAVE MADE OUR VIEWS ON MATTER KNOWN TO GOJ.

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